Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 19 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 20 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 18 Feb 2023 at 15:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in overall weather set up but lower confidence in timing of fronts and location of heaviest rainfall.

Headline for Sunday 19 Feb 2023: Cloudy and rather wet on Sunday. Drier into the evening. Increasingly strong southwesterly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 19 Feb 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
10%	30%	80%	60%	60%	40%	20%	60%

Forecast for Sunday 19 Feb 2023

Weather: Clear spells and patchy high cloud at first during the night. Low cloud pushing in from the west during the early hours with patchy light rain following behind. Rain turning heavier and more persistent through the morning but easing again early to mid-afternoon. Drier for a time into the evening but low cloud lingering before further rain arrives from the northwest later on. Winds increasing throughout the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% at first, soon decreasing to 20-30% by dawn.

Low Cloud and visibility: Widespread low cloud across the region from the early hours leading to hill fog. Visibility good at lower levels outside of rain, when it will be moderate or poor.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	17/19 W	25/29 S	34/41 S	39/48 SW	50/64 SW	56/71 SW	58/74 SW	61/78 SW	62/80 SW
900	8/10 W	13/17 SW	20/26 SW	27/37 SW	36/49 SW	41/55 SW	41/56 SW	43/59 SW	43/59 SW
600	7/9 SW	15/19 SW	24/30 S	33/41 SW	43/55 SW	50/64 SW	44/58 SW	45/61 SW	47/63 SW
300	4/6 S	8/11 S	12/18 S	17/25 SW	23/36 SW	26/40 SW	26/41 SW	25/39 SW	26/42 SW
Glen	2/4 W	3/6 SW	7/16 S	12/26 SW	17/33 SW	20/40 SW	16/35 SW	18/39 SW	20/41 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-11	-3/-12	-2/-11	1/-8	1/-8	1/-8	2/-8	2/-8	2/-7
900	-2/-6	-1/-7	-0/-7	2/-5	3/-5	3/-5	4/-4	4/-4	4/-3
600	1/-2	1/-4	2/-4	4/-2	5/-2	5/-2	6/-1	6/-1	6/-0
300	3/1	3/-0	4/0	6/2	7/2	7/2	8/3	8/4	8/3
Glen	3/2	4/3	5/2	7/4	8/5	9/4	9/6	10/7	10/7
Freezing Level*	700m	700m	1100m	1400m	1400m	1600m	1400m	1800m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Winds increasing significantly through the day.

Forecast for Monday 20 Feb 2023
Weather: Heavy rain at first during the early hours but mostly easing by dawn. Then low cloud with patchy light rain for much of the day. Best of any clearer spells towards Arran and Islay later in the evening.

Maximum wind: West to southwest 30-40 mph gusting 50-60 mph at first, soon easing to 15-20 mph gusting 25-35 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%

Low Cloud and visibility: Widespread low cloud leading to hill fog.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 9 to 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 to 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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